Week's Doings at the National Capital.

DOMGRESSIONAL KERAMICS AND OTHER CURI-OSITIES.

"I am getting almost too old for this sort of thing you know," said Hon. Wood. Vandever, of son and his colleagues at their word, and he the Sixth California District comother day, referring to his recent renoming a. He seemed | the consideration of the bill. A shudder of pleased as a child with a new : but he tried | horror rau over the House, and the Committee to appear to be taking it very idifferently. You have been in politics a long time, Gen-

"Yes; I voted for William Henry Harrison in 1849. It was my first Pro- catial vote. I alone. November for Benjamin Hames, and it will probably be my last; but I will have grasped three generations with my locat. I am now 71 years of age, and by the time he next President is inaugurated I will be 74. Old enough | he might as well make it three, to quit, don't you think, young man ?"

Maj. Gen. Vandever was serving his second term in Congress from Iowa when the war broke out, and resigned to take the office of Colonel in the 9th Iowa. Wm. B. Allison, who was prewented by ill health from going into the army, succeeded him. Col. Vandever was specially promoted to Brigadier-General and brevetted Major-General in 1865. He is again in Congress, serving a first term from the Golden State, and let us hope that the brave old man may be elected once more to a second, and be spared to serve it out and many succeeding terms also. Gen. Vandever, however, is not the oldest Member of our National Legislature. There are six older than he; two Representatives-Ralph Plumb, of Illinois, and Edward Gay, of Louisiana, who are respectively 72 years of age; and four Senators-Henry L. Dawes, of Massachusetts, and Philetas Sawyer, of Wisconsin, also 72; and Henry B. Payne, of Ohio, and Justin S. Morrill, of Vermont, each of whom bushingly confess to 78.

There are just a "baker's dozen" (not of the present times, however,) of our Statesmen in tors and six Representatives. In addition to those already named are Senators Eli Santsbury, of Delaware; Wade Hamptom, of South Carolina, and John H. Reagan, of Texas; and Representatives Toby Granger, of Connecticut; Edmund Rice, of Minnesota, and Edward Scull, of Pennsylvania.

The youngest man in the House is Ben. F. Shively, of Indiana, a good-looking young man of 33 years and pensive countenance.

else are ashamed to own up; at any rate, they do not appear on the record. Of these two of them are Senators, both from Tennessee. All from the South but four, and all Democrats but three.

Roger Q. Mills is one of these. Just how much this has to do with his free-trade theories is a question for algebraic solution. It is born is a dark-lautern, which supposition if preven would account for many things.

There is another curious fact connected study of the Congressional Directory. There is only one man of the whole 413 who has anything but an asterisk for a wife; and some do not indicate their "better half" the Ninth District of Massachusetts, married the only child of James Russell Lowell in 1872, and thought the fact of sufficient importance to mention. If the lady is as bright as her father, there is small wonder about that, however; but your correspondent knows so many Congressional ladies of the same sort that the exception is unjust even then.

There are six widowers and a bachelor in the Senate, any one of them old enough to marry, the youngest of the lot just bordering on 60, and the oldest 72. Eli Saulsbury, the one bachelor, is quite well seasoned, and therefore has probably attained an emineut degree of that toughness held in such high esteem by the friends of Katisha, he having lived-but not loved-through 71 Summers.

In the House there are 25 or 30 marketable Members-five of them bachelors-the States of Indiana and Florida having the largest quotas. From Indiana both Senators and five out of her 13 Members are playing the role of one blade to | will present a bird's eye view of a somewhat | a pair of scissors; and both Members from Florids are in a similar unjointed condition.

This state of affairs is a positive shame. No wonder there is a surplus of women in our country as well as a surplus of cash in our treasury, and the former is the worse of the two. The stupidity of the men who cannot agree on the best method of reducing the latter, good, able-bedied men should not be wasted, when there is sirendy too few to go round. we call on Mr. Blair to formulate a compulsory metrimonial bill.

The foregoing facts are possibly of more interest to your lady renders than asybody else,

special interest to the soldiers. Southern States, represented respectively by 34 Senators. Of the 10 Confederate Senators, one (Senator Riddleberger) is a Republican now. Of the 87 Union subdiers in Congruss eight are in the House three are Kepublicans. These three, like Senator Riddleberger, all hail from Presidents" in the past. Both the Senstors and all of the Representatives of Mississippi were Confederate soldiers, and from all the Southern States a large per cent, were Confederate soldiers.

On the other hand, New York, with 34 Representatives and two Senators, sends but six soldiers to Congress, one of those being elected by Democratic votes. Maine sends but one, the gallant Boutelle of the Navy. Illinois | better. Of 13 Representatives from Indiana seven were soldiers, one of whom is a Demoerst. All the Republican Representatives one, who was too young to enlist then, and is mines near this city. now a most ardent supporter of the rights of the moldier - Hon. William D. Owen, of the 10th District. Iowa, out of 11 Representatives, has Kansas, with seven Members, gives six from the army, and her two Senators beside.

INDIANA CONGRESSMEN BENOMINATED. Cant. James B. White, who was renominated for Congress last week, was the subject of a famous contest at the beginning of his present wote favored unseating him, but a surprise the leading foreign-born Members on the Democratic side. Gen. Collins, of Massachusetts. and the flery Burke Cockran, of Tammany Hall, assaulted the position of White's oppoments and carried it by storm. Although he was a Republican and they were Democrats, there was the kinship of naturalization be-

business as a merchant and manufacturer. He

ent Congress.

life. He dresses like a country merchant, in | the matter up as follows: "I'm a Captain, so dark tweed, with an ample white-shirt front | far as military titles go, and it is the most and a black necktie.

Capt. James L. Johnston, who was also re- Hannibal, Cesar and Grant called the great nominated by acclamation a few days ago, is one | Captains. How would it sound to say that of the active, hustling Members. He has his either of these soldiers was a great Colonel. nation in the House a few months ago that has | to the Captain." not yet subsided, by his resolution about the arrears-of-pension bill. It will be remembered that Col. Matson had reported back a bill for the repeal of the limitation in the arrears act, with glowing reasons why it should pass. It occurred to Capt. Johnston to take Col. Matintroduced a resolution calling for a date for on Rules has not dared to make a report ou anything at all since. Capt, Johnston understands that a cord of

favorable reports would pay no arrears if let was then just 23 years old. I appet to vote next | In person the Captain is a giant, crowned with a mass of flowing and unruly black hair

that tries constantly to get into his eyes. He has gone home for a couple of weeks, and for all Congress seems likely to do for the soldier THE TROUBLES OF CONGRESSMAN O'NEILL.

Since the days of Delegate Cannon, of Utah, who found four wives none too few to soften the pathway of his official life, Congressmen, so far as known, have been content with one, unless O'Neill, of St. Louis, the champion of the some resignation or death should occur. cause of labor in the House.

Some months ago the alleged relations of the Congressman and the widew were first aired law, the one making retirement compulsory upon reaching 64 years of age, eight Brigadierthrough the vociferous demands of the lady for marital recognition. The Congressman pleaded not guilty. He admitted that Mrs. Moore was his landlady, at whose house he had found a congenial substitute for a home, but further than that he admitted nothing. It appeared that he had boarded with the lady without witnesses.

Last week he went to St. Louis and was married to a Miss Robertson, nothwithstanding expected to be successful to frustrate the culmination of matters at St. Louis, however, but | Benet, Chief of Ordnance, Jan. 22, 1891. her efforts miscarried. She forwarded to Arch-Congress who are over 70 -seven of them Sena- | bishop Kendrick and the paster of St. Theresa's Church a sworn statement setting forth that Mr. O'Neill was her husband and the father of her unborn child,

Nevertheless O'Neill was married. Now the Woman's League of this city is after him. They allege that he was able, through his official influence with the Postoffice Department, to prevent the delivery of the damaging packages until after the wedding. They have applied to the District Attorney here, but There are 15 who do not know their ages, or have been informed that a Congressman is free from arrest for any such offense as alleged. The bride and groom are expected here in a few days, when the Woman's League promise

> to make it unpleasant. AN ITINERANT MEMBER.

essibly to look for another District. He has | "Besides that," he went on, "a man will even by that means. Hon. E. Burnett, of side, the District extending from Houston to rience. Twenty-fourth. In 1874, for three succeeding terms he moved down town, his District exlending from Catherine to Fourteenth streets. In 1884 he had for constituents the inhabitants of the slums of the Metropolis, along Hester, Essex, Ludiow, Allen and Chrystie streets, and since his return from Turkey he has had the District from which Joe Pulitzer was elected. but resigned. It lies between the Bowery and East River, and is inhabited by the tenementhouse class. A large proportion of the poorer Jews of the city live here, and the rest are chiefly Irish. Mr. Cox wants to come back, but the "leaders" have not decided yet which District to allot to him. The trouble is caused by the ambitions of ex-Register John Reilly,

> Last week we had a pen-picture of the two homeliest men in the House, and this week we

more æsthetic rivalry. Representatives Gibson, of Maryland, and Dockery, of Missouri, are the two who are generally accorded the palm for beauty by the ladies who frequent the gallery. The rivals in ugliness were Northern Republicans, and the beauties are both Southern Democrats; but the friends of protection claim that they have the cannot be expected either to see that so many | beat of it, because " beauty is only skin deep, while ugly is to the bone."

The legislative Apollos are both rather tall What is this country coming to? I move that straight and extremely graceful in carriage. Gibson has a fine face, of which fact he is too sensible to conceal its advantages in a profusion of hair, so be contents himself with a mustache and imperial of light fron-gray to match and now I will collate a few that will be of | the fall suit of close-cut curly hair, which he parts in the middle, with the effect of giving Of the 413 Members of both Houses, there him a patrician look, rather than the dudish are 158 ex-soldiers; of these 87 are from the style of the period. In fact, it is in style that Union army, nine of them Senators, and 71 Mr. Gibson's chief success lies, and the aristofrom the Confederate, 19 Schators. To show cratic bearing with which he moves about in the average more clearly it must be remember- his most ordinary pursuits would have driven ed that there are 23 Northern States and 16 Lord Dundreary mad. Not that the Maryland Representative resembles his fictitious lord-205 Members of the lower House with 44 Sena- ship; not in the least, for the swell air of our tors, and 127 Members of the lower House with | Democratic nobleman is nature itself, and the Bundreary affectation would become bankrupt

in an attempt at its imitation. Mr. Dockery has more of the people in his Democrats, and of the 71 Confederate soldiers | appearance, and his clear-out Grecian features, brown curly hair, full beard and mustache but slightly tempered with gray, broad forehead the good old State of Virginia, "the mether of and fine eyes, have a home-like persuasiveness that makes one feel that he would be a jolly fellow to know, while his own air of unpretending judifference proclaims the fact that he is perhaps least well informed of his own personal advantages of all his associates.

Mr. Gibson is a widower, and there are doubtless many blood-thirsty dames and damsels too, perhaps, -for Mr. Dockery is comparatively young,-who would like if he were a widower too. But I am happy to state that sends but four, with her two Senators and 26 | Mrs. Dockery is a remarkably healthy woman, Representatives. Indians, Iowa and Kansas do and Mr. Dockery a very affectionate husband. Capt. J. L. Kirk, the noted East Tennessee pilot and scout, has returned to Washington after some months absence in Illinois, where he from Harrison's State were ex-soldiers except | has organized companies to work his gold

COL BRYCE WOULD COME AGAIN. Col. Lloyd S. Bryce, a Democratic Congress-

man from New York City, wants to come back. seven soldiers, one of whom is a Democrat. In New York the people do not nominate the candidates, and, in fact, have nothing to say The soldier interest is growing in Congress ers" of the Assembly Districts meet and parcel comrades of the first three months the bogus grateful sense of his great and patriotic services in comrades of the first three months the bogus grateful sense of his country, its deep sensibility of the as everywhere else, and the day will soon be out the places, which action is ratified by the reputation I gained near Clarksburg by being past when they can be ignored there or else- "Hall," and the ticket is printed for the voter. scared a little worse than the rest of the picket He is expected to accept it in the same disinterested spirit without asking any questions | trod upon, beyond the announcement that it is "regular." Under this machine method of grinding out candidates a renomination is much more uncer- bravery given to any one." term. He was elected by some 2,500 majority | tain than under the rural system, where the ever his competitor, but his eligibility to the | caucus or primary election sends delegates to a sest was contested by Lewry, his opponent at convention, and the convention decides bethe polls. The Elections Committee by a party | tween rivals. It is understood, however, that the Colonel is adjusting rival ambitions, and awaited them in the unexpected attitude of will probably beslated. He is called "Colonel," it is said, because in 1886 he was appointed Paymaster-General of the New York militia, He was not in the war of the rebellion, being not yet 37 years old.

CAPT. THOMAS'S REAPPEARANCE, For the past two years Capt, John R. Thomas, of Illinois, has been afflicted with a tumor in tween them all. The case hinged upon Capt. | the throat, which has caused much apprehen-White's inability to produce his certificate, al- sion. At one time it was belived that he was though he had testimony to show that he had rapidly yielding to its inroads, but after two to heart, it seems. been naturalized. Gen. Collins declared that the operations he experienced great and almost House had mistaken the evidence of the fact | nnexpected relief. For some time he has been for the fact itself, and challenged the married at a hospital in this city, where, under the care men of the House to rest the question of their of his father-in-law, he has made steady addomestic relations upon the production of a vances till hopes are entertained of his recovmarriage certificate. After this the opposition ery. He had not been seen at the House of was practically non-suited, and it was evident | Representatives for some months till the day that it will never do to raise a technical ques- for the vote upon the Mills bill, when he was tion against the validity of naturalization in a | in his place and surprised his friends by re-House where there are natives of Ireland, Den- sponding with a full-voiced "no," audible all mark, Norway, Germany, Scotland and Eng- over the hall. Since that date he has been at been set aside and a new trial ordered, land, who strike hands on this matter if not his committee room almost daily, at work upon matters in which he is intrusted pertaining to Capt. White is a native of Scotland and 53 the Navy. He goes very little into the House, years of age last June. He was a Captain in | where the air is not of the best, in order to the 30th Ind., and since the war has been in save any unnecessary irritation to his throat.

ABOUT PROPLE. side of the great industrial question, in which

the people of Virginia begin to display such an Lamed in common with the people of the Govern active interest. This is Mr. Tucker's first ap- ment. pearance on the political stage. adjourns without reducing the surplus he will tion with the family of the deceased to take such advise the President to call an extra session of Congress. He has taken this matter specially lie obsequies of Ggu Sheridan.

The last case in which Melville W. Fuller,

A Cheap Ice-Chest. [Scientific American.]

Take two dry goods boxes, one of which is enough smaller than the other to leave a space | first in Texas and then in Oregon. This Congress will close a long and active of about three inches all around when it is has served as a member of the Common Coun- career in Washington, as his health would not placed inside. Fill the space between the two cil of his city, Fort Wayne. This was his only permit his undertaking another canvass, with sawdust packed closely, and cover with a political experience until elected to the pres- Among his characteristics is his pride in his heavy lid made to fit neatly inside the larger title of "Captain" in a community where al- box. Insert a small pipe in the bottom of the In appearance he is an unassuming man of most every one else is a "Colonel," a "Judge" chest to carry off the water from the melting quiet demeanor. He looks the calm business or a "Major." It is related of him that once ice, and you have a very cheap and tolerablyman, who has little time for the frivolities of upon being addressed as "Colonel" he took effective ice-box for family or grocers' use.

eye open for the soldiers, and caused a conster- No, if you want to give me a military title stick | The Hero of Winchester Dies Suddenly at Nonquitt. During the present Administration more

General officers have been appointed and promoted in the Army than under any other since ANOTHER GENERAL GONE Mr. Lincoln's time, and Mr. Cleveland will soon be called upon to appoint another Briga-

His Death Entirely Unexpected a Short Time Previous.

ultimate recovery.

combatted this trouble, but this time it seemed

speaking a word. Mrs. Sheridan, the two Sis-

as he seemed to pass away without a struggle,

Col. Kellogg, of the General's staff, was im-

was embalmed by an undertaker of New Bed-

him dead, Mrs. Sheridan could not believe it,

him to recognize her; but this was in vain,

bears up remarkably well under her sore afflic-

It has been decided that Arlington will be

the final resting-place of the General, and Sat-

urday, the 11th inst., has been selected as the

to the wishes of Gen. Sheridan, who very much

disliked parade of any kind on such occasions.

avoid all pomp and parade, although, of course,

The following gentlemen have been selected

as pall-bearers: Gen. W. T. Sherman, Marshall

Field, of Chicago; Gen. Hawley, United States

Senate; Speaker Carlisle, Vice-President Frank

Thomsen, of the Pennsylvania Railroad; Gen.

Wesley Merritt, U. S. A.; Secretary Whitney,

Gen. Macfeeley, Gen. Joseph Fullerton, of St.

Louis; Secretary Endicott, George W. Childs,

and Chas. P. Lincoln, Commander Department

The President officially informed the Senate

and House on Monday of the death of Gen.

Sheridan, and after a few brief enlogistic re-

marks, both Houses adjourned out of respect to

the memory of the gallant General. In the

Senate the following resolutions were adopted

Resolved, That the Senate has learned with pro-

found regret of the death of Philip H. Sheridan,

loss which the Nation has sustained in his death

and its sympaty with his family in their bereave-

warded to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be for-

In the House remarks were made by ex-Con-

federate and ex-Union Generals, and the fel-

lowing resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That this House has learned with profound grief of the death of Gen. P. H. Sheridan,

Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the mem-

ory of the deceased this House do now adjourn.

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House is direct-

ed to transmit to the widow of the deceased a copy

of these resolutions and the assurance of the sym-

pathy of the House in the loss which she has sus-

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House appoint

a committee of seven Members to confer with a

commanding the Armies of the United States.

late General of the Army of the United States.

the funeral will be a military one.

of Potomac, G.A.R.

unanimously:

which is the nearest telephone station.

of the General of the Army.

change took place.

absolutely pitiful.

General to General of the Army; Gens. Alfred H. Terry, Oliver O. Howard and George Crook MRS. SHERIDAN'S GRIEF. to Major-Generals; Gens. John Gibbon, Thomas H. Ruger, Wesley Merritt, John R. Brooke, Joseph H. Potter and Oriando B. Willeox to Pathetic Scenes at the Dying leck to Corinth. Brigadier-Generals from Colonels of regiments; Gen. Nelson H. Davis to Inspector-General to Man's Bedside. succeed Gen. Sacket, and Gen. Absalom Baird to succeed Gen. Davis; Gen. John Moore to Surgeon-General, and in the Corps of Engineers Gen. Sheridan died at Nonquitt at 10:20 Gen. James C. Duane as Chief of Engineers to o'clock last Sunday night of heart failure. His succeed Gen. Newton, and Gen. Thomas L. death was entirely unexpected, and although

the successor to Gen. Baird will be the last the widow Moore tells the truth about Mr. | appointment by Mr. Cleveland, unless, of course, During the four years succeeding March 4 next the ordinary operations of the retiring

Under the acts regulating retirement for age

Casey to succeed Gen. Duane.

honorable in the world. We hear Alexander,

ABOUT GENERAL OFFICERS.

dier-General when Gen. Absalom Baird retires

the latter part of this month as Inspector-

These appointments now number 15, and are as follows: Gen. Sheridan, from Lieutenant-

General.

Generals will be appointed. Gen. John Gibbon will retire April 20, 1891, and Gen. David S. Stanley June 1, 1892. In the several staff corps six of the ten Bureaus will have new Chiefs, the present Chiefs retiring as follows: Adjutant-General Richard C. Drum March 28, 1889; Quartermaster-General Samuel B. Holabird June 16, 1890; Commissary-General Robert Macfeely the objections of Mrs. Moore. The widow July 1, 1890; Surgeon-General John Moore took such steps as might reasonably have been | Aug. 16, 1890; Paymaster-General William B. Rochester Feb. 15, 1890, and Gen. Stephen V.

> A BOGUS REPUTATION. The surroundings and the membership of the Service Club here, make the elegant home of the Club one of the pleasautest and most inter- | thinking as there had been no change, everyesting places in the Capital to lounge away an | thing would go on as usual.

> As every member must also be a comrade of he Loyal Legion, one can well imagine what | who happened to be with him, applied the usual osts of good stories and reminiscences of the | remedies, which have so long and successfully days of the rebellion are told each day and night. I wish I could write out and preserve even half the stories I have heard from members, but I heard a good one recently that I think worth telling.

The chat of a party had run upon exhibitions of personal gallantry in action during the war, and of that element which is popularly designated as bravery, when one com-It is reported that there is trouble again in | rade laughed out, and said: "I don't think New York City, because there are not Congres- much of what people poetically call bravery; just possible that the star under which he was sional Districts enough to go round. The Hon. | the fact is, that most any man who has ever "Sunset" Cox, who once went to Turkey for a been under fire once would run the next time term by stress of similar circumstances, is again | if his pride and self-respect would let him. being squeezed out, it is reported, and will have | He stays, because he is ashamed to light out.

already represented nearly the whole city. At | get a reputation for gallantry and nerve somefirst he was elected for two terms from the west | times by accident, when he does not at all deside from Houston north to Twenty-sixth street, | serve it, though it will stick to him. I can Then he was sent to Congress from the east | give an instance of this within my own expe-

"In 1861 I was in the ranks of the first regiment that reached Clarksburg, W. Va., and the night after our arrival very strong pickets were thrown out on the several roads leading "The party I was with was an outpost of

eight men and a Sergeant, and was stationed at a point where the road ran close to the river -a tributary of the Cheat River I think, at the foot of a thickly-wooded hill, and just in a bend of the road and river.

"It was our first experience on picket, and everybody was seriously impressed with the importance of the post and duty, and duly appreciated the fact that if the enemy came whooping along en route for Clarksburg, it was who wants the Ninth, Mr. Cox's present Dis- our bounden duty to check the advance until the reserve should be aroused and the command in town alarmed. Every man there was ready to die right in the road if need be, and there was much careful looking after the loads in our old Belgian muskets.

"Every one was alert and so wideawake that no one slept at all until toward the morning; the cool mountain air made one and another of those not on post crawl into his blanket and drop off to sleep. 'Just before 4 o'clock, while it was hardly

dawn yet, the sleepers were aroused suddenly

by a shot, which was followed by a yell from

the woods close by, and then much rustling and tramping about through the underbrush. "Two or three other shots were fired in the direction of the noise, and then all hands but one rushed down the bank toward the river. I was the one man that didn't run. I couldn't. When the first shot was fired I sat up straight in my blanket as if on a spring. That was all. I couldn't move hand or foot, and was as utterly helpless as if totally paralyzed, while each and every individual bair on my head slowly rose to its full length, and it seemed as though a small fire had been kindled just at the root of each hair. A quick succession of little chills ran over me from bead to foot, and each was followed by a flash of burning fever.

"All the time that dreadful noise of the approaching enemy continued, and I remember wondering whether they would let my father have my body to take back to Ohio.

"All this had not probably covered more time than a minute or a minute and a half, but it seemed fully an hour to me, before a longlegged, lean hog burst out from the brush, and ran squealing loudly up the rocky road.

"In a second I realized the situation, and all my paralysis passed away as quickly, while my self-possession returned. I jumped up, grabbed my musket and fired after the fleeing hog, and then yelled after the rest of the picket, 'Come back here, you -- fools; are you seared to death at a scared hog?' "Back they came, and I began at them for

running—never said a word about the reason I didn't run, and affected intense indignation at their conduct, as being unworthy of soldiers. "When the Lieutenaut came dashing up with the reserve, he gave the Sergeant and the other men merry blazes, but complimented me for coolness, nerve, daring and bravery, until I

"When we got back to Clarksburg that day I was the hero of the hour, 'the bravest man in the regiment, and as we never got into very serious trouble during our three months, I retained my fictitious character during the whole

had half a notion to tell him privately the facts

"I served in the East during the rest of the about it. Some weeks before election the "lead- war, and so probably retained with my old at a sleeping pig that a stray blind horse had

> "I have often thought of that instance when I hear unusual and extravagant praise for

Young H. St. George Tucker, son of the great Virginia free trader, J. Randolph Tucker, has been nominated by the Democrats for Congress in the Staunton District. Yost is the sitting Member, and will run again. He says young Tucker is a good fellow, but he is on the wrong

Gen. Weaver, of Iowa, says that if Congress

BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF HIS LIFE. Philip Henry Sheridan was born March 6, the present Chief Justice, appeared as an attor- 1831, in the village of Somerset, O., his parents ney, was decided last week in Chicago in his being emigrants from County Cavan, Ireland. favor. It was a suit of the Illinois Central At the age of 17 he was appointed to West Railroad to eject a man from a strip of land | Point, and although his career there was not 100 feet long and one foot wide, in Chicago, brilliant, he was far above mediocrity, his genwhich the railroad claimed as its own. The eral standing being kept down by demerits, his occupant of the land claimed it by virtue of animal spirits being the cause. This caused 20 years' possession, and in the first trial the him to serve an extra year, for although he enjury decided in his favor. This verdict has | tered the Academy in 1848, he did not graduate until 1853,

> months was made Second Lieutenant. From 1853 to 1861 he continued on the frontier; During this year he commanded an escort to

At the age of 23 he was assigned to the 1st

Inf. as Brevet Second Lieutenant, and in six

branch of the Pacific Railroad through Oregon. 1856 He commanded a party which defeated a band of Yakima Indians near Fort Vancouver.

in which he behaved so gallantly as to merit special attention in General Orders. 1857.

He was in command of the Yakima Reservaion, and was mentioned by Gen. Scott for faithful services, having concluded an advanageous treaty with the tribe. He remained in this country until the year 1861, having earned in the meantime the rank of First Lieutenant. 1861-2.

A Captain's commission reached him along with | was the last great fight of the war, and resultthe news of impending war. He was soon order- | ed in the evacuation of Richmond. ed to report at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., where he | The roll of battles fought by him during the arrived at the time of the removal of Gen. Fremont from the command of the Department of | Craig's Meetinghouse, May 5; Todd's Tavern, Missouri, and was made President of a board | May 5; Furnaces, May 6; Todd's Tavern, No. to audit claims under Fremont's administra- 2, May 7; Spottsylvania, May 8; Beaver Dam, tion. He was then made Quartermaster and May 9-10; Yellow Tavern, May 11; Yellow Commissary for Gen. Curtis's army, operating Bridge, May 12; Hanovertown, May 27; in southern Missouri and Arkansas during the Hawes's Shop, May 28; Matadequin Creek, Pea Ridge campaign. He criticized Curtis, and | May 30; Cold Harbor, May 31; Mechump's after the battle of Pea Ridge was sent to St. | Creek, May 31; Ashland, June 1; Hawes's Shop, Louis under arrest. He went with Gen. Hal- No. 2, June 2; Samner's Upper Bridge, June

At this time the 2d Mich. Cav. wanted a 11; Trevillian Station, June 11; Long's Bridge, Colonel, and Sheridan was thought of, tendered | June 12; Mallery's Ford Crossroads, June the position and was soon at the head of that | 12; White Oak Swamp, June 13; Riddel's gallant regiment. Here commenced his mili- Shop, June 13; Smith's Store, June 15; Tuntary career proper, for in a few days after as- stall's Station, June 21; Nottaway Courthouse, suming command of his regiment he com- June 23; St. Mary's Church, June 24; Roanoke menced a raid which was successful. He then Station, June 25; Stoney Creek, June 29; took command of two regiments, and he man- | Ream's Station, June 29; Darbytown, July 28; he has been quite nervous for several days aged this command so well that he was placed | Lee's Mills, July 31; Moorefield, Aug. 7; Toll past, his condition was thought considerably in command of a cavalry brigade. He whip- | Gate, Aug. 11; Cedarville, Aug. 16; Winimproved by his physicians, who have been in ped Chalmers at Booneville with less than half hester, Aug. 28; Smith's Point, Aug. 21; Kearconstant attendance, while on Friday last the the force opposed to him, the enemy leaving neysville, Aug. 25; Kabletown, Aug. 26; celebrated Dr. Pepper, of Philadelphia, after a his dead and wounded on the field and retreat- | Smithfield, Aug. 28; Smithfield Crossing, Aug. careful examination of the distinguished paing out of Sheridan's reach. For this victory | 29; Bunker Hill, Sept. 2-3; Adams's Creek, tient, gave out the fact that his removal to at Booneville he was made Brigadier-General Sept. 13; Opequan, Sept. 19; Front Royal, Nonquitt had been of vast benefit to the Genof Volunteers and assigned to the command of | Sept. 21; Fisher's Hill, Sept. 22; Milford, eral: that he had increased in flesh, his pulse a brigade of cavalry, and displayed such sa- Sept. 22; Luray, Sept. 24; Forest Hill, Sept. 24; and respiration were stronger and easier, and gacity, bravery, vigor and industry that he | Weyer's Cave, Sept. 26; Brown's Gap, Sept. 26; all the symptoms of the case so much better was soon placed in command of a division of Waynesboro, Sept. 28; Mt. Crawford, Oct. 2; than he had looked for ; that he predicted the of infantry, and did noble and gallant work at | Tom's Run, Oct. 9; Cedar Creek, Oct. 19; Milentire recovery of the patient in a few months. the battle of Perryville, Oct. 8, 1862, where he ford, No. 2, Oct. 26; Middletown, Nov. 12; The weather has been much warmer than held the key to the position with a tenacity | Ninevah, Nov. 12; Lacey's Springs, Dec. 21; usual, which accounted for his restlessness; but the General seemed bright and cheerful and and courage unsurpassed. His next serious | Liberty Mills, Dec. 22; Gordonsville, Dec. 23; work was in the battle of Stone River, where | Waynesboro, No. 2, March 2, 1865; North Anna his voice was strong, and he took a full supply Sheridan again covered himself with glory, Bridge, No. 2, March 14, 15; Diuwiddie Courtof nourishment, both liquid and solid, and the bringing his division off, after the rest of the house, March 31; Five Forks, April 1; Scott's doctors and the family were hopeful of his corps had retreated, intact, with the exception | Corners, April 2; Sweet House Creek, April 3; of the dead, which were necessarily left upon | Winticomack Creek, April 3; Amelia C. H., About 7 o'clock the doctors and Mrs. Sherithe field. For his gallant conduct upon this | April 4 and 5; Tabernacle Church, April 14; dan went to the hotel for supper, and when field he was made Major-General, and while Amelia Springs, April 5; Sailor's Creek, April they returned the preparations for the night were made. At 9:20 Col. Sheridan said good-Rosecrans must remain the central figure of this great battle, to Sheridan belongs the credit | April 8. Appomattox Courthouse, April 9. night to the General and went to the hotel, of stopping the disastrous retreat which would have occurred had he not, when entirely out of ammunition, ordered his men to go at them At 9:30 symptoms of heart failure suddenly with the bayonet, which was done in the most appeared, and Drs. O'Reilley and Matthews, gallant manner, and the stampede which had already begun was checked, and the rout turned to victory.

During this year Gen. Sheridan remained | Department, Here his iron hand subdued the with the Army of the Cumberland reorganizing his division. He enacted a couspicuous part in the bloody battle of Chickamauga, using his division as a support to Thomas, and | State of New York. He found everything in doing such gallant work that he was again commended in General Orders.

But perhaps his greatest success was at the | quiet reigned supreme. battle of Chattaneoga, when his division was one of those which claim the honor of being | ment of the Pacific, and when Grant became the first upon Missionary Ridge. Sheridan | President was made Lieutenant-General on himself said that when his men had gone over the promotion of Sherman. the rifle-pits at the foot of the hill, and then | It has been but a little over a month since egan the ascent of the ridge, he did not have | Congress by special act made him General of the heart to stop those gallant fellows, although | the Army, a distinction which he had earned, they had no orders to go up; but when he saw and the justice of which was never questioned them climbing those precipitous sides of the by any one. But he did not live long to enjoy mountain he said: "Go on, boys, and take him | his new honors. from his stronghold," which they did.

His services on this occasion, no matter what may have gone before, were like the moon is to the stars-much greater and more brilliant. He was everywhere cheering on his men, and when the summit was reached and taken he was not satisfied with victory, perhaps the greatest of the war, but he controlled his troops and started in immediate pursuit, and kept on that they had no effect, and despite every exthe heels of the enemy until night, fatigue and ertion of his physicians the General became hunger bade him halt. unconscious and died at 10:30 o'clock without

1864-65. During the year 1864 Sheridan's star was alters of Charity (who have been in constant atways in the ascendant. From May, 1864, to tendance upon the General since his severe ill-April, 1865, he was able to say that the army ness) and his faithful body-servant Klein were under his command had sent to the War Deat the bedside during the last moments on earth partment 205 battleflags which had been capt-The General's death was painless apparently. ured-nearly as many as all the armies of the United States combined had captured. Besides this he had captured between 160 and 170 pieces and was entirely un conscious when the great

He rode around Richmond and defeated mediately telegraphed to come to Nonquitt and Stuart in several important engagements, and utterly demoralized the rebel Capital. He was bring the General's uniform, which had been then placed in command of the troops in the left behind in his home in this city. The body Shenandoah Valley, and on Sept. 19 defeated the rebel army under Early, who retreated to Mrs. Sheridan and the nurses were on their Fisher's Hill, a strong position, where on Sept. 22 he was attacked again by Sheriknees in prayer when the soul of the General dan, routed and sent whirling up the took its departure. When the doctors declared valley, supposed to be completely done for. This was a mistake, for Lee sent Longand took him by the shoulder and implored street to the aid of Early, and with this vet- | place. eran corps, during the temporary absence of and as the cruel truth at last forced itself upon Sheridan at Washington, where he had gone her, she fell to the floor in a swoon, and was immediately after his victory at Fisher's Hill, earried from the chamber. The children had leaving Gen. Wright, of the Sixth Corps, in bade their father good night, and at the time command of his army, they attacked the Union of his death were soundly sleeping up stairs in forces and drove them pell-mell, and had apthe cottage. When notified of their father's death on the following morning the scene was parently gained a glorious victory over our troops when Sheridan came riding down from Winchester, 20 miles distant from the field. Mrs. Sheridan has thus far borne herself as and there and then achieved what will make should the wife of a distinguished soldier, and him the most celebrated soldier of modern times; that by his simple presence he changed tion. Messages of condolence continue to pour a disgraceful rout into one of the most glorious in upon her from all parts of the country, and victories ever gained by any body of troops. are forwarded by telephone from New Bedford, There were no reinforcements. Only Sheri-

From this time forward his success was phenomenal. Grant took him in hand, and they together formed plans for the reduction of day for the funeral. The remains were brought Richmond. At Five Forks, where the last here in a special car, and the funeral services great battle of the war was fought, Sheridan's will be held in St. Matthew's Church. The ceremonies are to be assimple as possible, owing | cavalry did the hardest part of the work. He was supported by Warren's Fifth Corps, but in his impetuous way did not think Warren gave Besides, it is the desire of Mrs. Sheridan to him the necessary support, removed him from command of the corps, and preferred charges

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neaning and purpose of his soldierly devotion and

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and the generosity of his nature, inspired with pe-

Above his grave affection for the man and pride

a his achievements will struggle for mastery, and

too much honor cannot be accorded to one who was

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